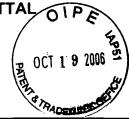
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL OLD F

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Application Number: 09/994,068

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First Named Inventor: Tsutomu ARAKAWA

Group Art Unit: 1642

Examiner: Laura B. GODDARD

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:									
	a.	Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.							
		i.	Consider the arguments in the Response After Final filed on <u>August 21, 2006</u> .						
		ii.	Other						
	b.		DO NOT ENTER the amendment(s) previously	filed o	n		An alternate submission is attached.		
	C.	\boxtimes	Enclosed submission: .						
	i.	\boxtimes	Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (2 pages)			× E	Six (6) listed documents		
	ii.	\boxtimes	DS Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page)	IV.	Petition for Extension of Time for the Second and Third Months (1 page)				
2.	Mi	/liscellaneous							
	a.		Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)						
	b.		Other			-			
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	c. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.								
Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required									
Name: Elisabeth Jaffe Barek					Reg. No.: 46,797				
Signature: Seignbeth Brode					Date: October 19, 2006				
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